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Schools seek solutions for attendance problem

By BILL SHERROD

Alarming absentee rates and ways to increase school attendance were the subjects of a special meeting at the Appomattox County High School Monday evening.

The meeting, chaired by Superintendent of Schools Lloyd Walton, was attended by School Board members, concerned parents, and representatives of various community agencies and organizations.

Don Armentrout, principal at ACHS, presented data which revealed the rate of absenteeism at the high school over the past three years. While attendance at the high school during the past school year was slightly better than the two previous years, the attendance rate was still "less than it should be" at 90.3 percent, according to Armentrout.

In 1977-1978 average attendance for the year was 89.3 percent, while in 1978-79 the attendance rate for the year was 89.0.

"Studies indicate that we can expect an average of five to six percent of the secondary school population to be legitimately absent from school," according to Armentrout.

Thus, with an average absentee rate of approximately 10 percent over the past three years, school administrators believe between four and five percent of the school population is missing school without a valid reason.

Mrs. H. Foster, principal at Appomattox Middle School presented information which indicates a similar pattern at the county's intermediate school.

For the 1979-80 school year, the attendance rate at AMS for seventh graders was 93.83 percent, compared with 93.65 percent in 1978-79 and 93.03 percent in 1977-78.

Eighth graders' attendance fell off this year in comparison with the last two years, with a 92.13 percent attendance rate this year, 93.28 percent last year, and 93.23 percent last year.

According to Armentrout, 25 percent of the high school student population (237) students missed between 15 and 29 days of school last year. 58 students (six percent) missed between 30 and 39 days, 38 students (four percent) missed between 40 and 49 days, and 45 students (five percent of the student population) missed 50 days or more.

Walton pointed to the high percentage of students missing more than 15 days of school as the main reason for the administration's concern with the absentee problem.

He noted that the school system has employed a person to work primarily on attendance problems, but additional measures may be necessary.

At present, according to Armentrout, the attendance worker checks the absentee list each day and makes calls randomly to the parents of students who are absent.

If a student misses three straight days of school, a letter is sent to his or her parents, and if a student misses as much as five days of school in a grading period, that student's parents get a letter.

The parents cannot always be reached, however. In some instances both parents work, and in other instances, students intercept letters before the parents ever see them. Armentrout added that in some instances, parents have told the attendance worker that an absent student was home sick, when the student had been seen by school personnel somewhere besides home.

Armentrout cited a number of possible measures which might help alleviate the situation.

Eliminating the student personal-leave policy and reducing or eliminating Friday assemblies may help to keep students at school, according to Armentrout.

In addition, the year-end awards program could be held in the evening, and the senior trip could be held during Easter week following Easter.

Armentrout also suggested well-defined guidelines for students making up work after absences. He added that students grades should not be determined solely on work performed while in school. The principal said a massive information campaign should be conducted to get attendance information to students and parents.

A tenth suggestion forwarded by Armentrout involves instituting an attendance "incentive plan" by which students get grade credit for being in class.

"This idea is based on the assumption that, if a student is in class, he or she is going to learn something," he said.

He added that a student's performance in class, ranging from preparation and initiative to promptness, should be considered in assigning that student a final grade.

The "daily learning points" accumulated during a grading period for attendance and performance could count as much as one-third the final grade for that grading period, according to Armentrout.

He noted that these steps are tentative and "rough ideas" at this point, but added that they did come from general discussions with teachers and administrators.

In emphasizing the importance of a viable solution to the absentee problem, Walton noted that studies indicate that students who have poor attendance records carry those habits with them into the work force, and often have difficulties holding down a job which requires the responsibility of a regular schedule.

MRS. ANNIE WARRINER of Evergreen celebrated her 9th birthday last Thursday, July 25. Married to the late Edward Warriner, she and her husband were the parents of five children, three of whom are still living. Mrs. Warriner has six grandchildren and four great grandchildren. The oldest living member of Evergreen Baptist Church, Mrs. Warriner gives credit for her long life to prayer. "I've sent many a prayer to the Lord asking for a long life, and He's never let me down," she says.

FmHA allocates assistance funds

Appomattox is one of 43 Virginia counties and cities eligible for disaster emergency loans from the Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) to recover from losses caused by severe drought and heat conditions since April 1.

Damage assessments by the agency show significant losses of peanuts, corn, soybeans, milo, and vegetable and feed crops as well as pastures in those areas.

E. A. Ragland, state director of the FmHA, said emergency loans will be made to farmers who cannot find other sources of credit needed to restore operations to normal. Loans must be based on substantial loss resulting from the drought and heat conditions since April of this year.

Applications for loans will be received by FmHA County Offices serving designated areas based on losses of physical property until April 24, 1981, and on production losses until Dec. 31, 1983.

A U.S. Dept. of Agriculture agency, FmHA makes disaster emergency loans at varying interest rates and terms consistent with the borrower's repayment ability. State Director Ragland said the law provides for disaster emergency credit to recognized farmers who work at and rely on farming for a substantial part of their living.

Eligiblity is extended to individual farmers who are United States citizens, or to farming partnerships, corporations or cooperatives in which U.S. citizens hold a majority interest.

Locations of FmHA County Offices, usually located in county seats, are listed in local telephone directories under "U.S. Government."

Since October 1, 1979, $42,102,460 has been made available to Virginia farmers in FmHA disaster loans.

Ragland has authorized the assistance in this county as well as the counties of Albemarle, Amherst, Amelia, Accomack, Buchanan, Caroline, Charles City, Chesterfield, Cumberland, Dinwiddie, Essex, Fluvanna, Glousester, Goochland, Hanover, Henrico, Isle of Wigt, James City, King and Queen, King William, King George, Lancaster, Louisa, Mathews, Middlesex, New Kent, Northampton, Northumberland, Orange, Powhatan, Prince George, Richmond, Spotsylvania, Stafford, Sussex, Surry, Southampton, Westmoreland, and York; and the cities, of Chesapeake, Suffolk, and Virginia Beach.

In addition to these designations, Goochland and Powhatan Counties have been designated for assistance because of tornado damages occuring on July 12, 1980, and in Nelson and Botetourt Counties because, of hail damage on July 17, 1980.

Pamplin budget vote expected

A municipal budget hearing will be held in conjunction with the regularly scheduled meeting of the Pamplin Town Council Aug. 5 at 7:30 p.m. in the town hall.

Joe Freeman, chairman of U.S. Sen. John Warner's Special A-95 Review Task Force will be present to explain the A-95 Review process and to gather comments and suggestions on how it can be improved.

The A-95 review task force is set up by the Central Virginia Planning District Commission. The task force reviews municipal and non-profit-organization projects that are up for federal funding, and comments on the feasibility and virtues of the projects.

The town council is expected to approve the Pamplin budget for the next fiscal year at the business meeting.

In addition, the council will vote on whether to submit at an application to the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development for funding on a town water system.

Committees for the coming fiscal year will be appointed at the meeting, as well.

APPOMATTOX YOUNG FARMERS TRACTOR PULLERS, INC. will be sponsoring a 4-wheel drive pulling contest Saturday night. The event is slated to begin at 6 p.m. one mile east of Appomattox on Route 24.

'Birdie' will fly tonight

Bye-Bye Birdie, the first production of Depot Dramatics, begins its three-night run tonight (Thursday) at 8 p.m. in the Appomattox Depot.

The community theatre group has been rehearsing for the past six weeks, and cast members express optimism over the finished product. The directors feel "the show is ready."

Most audience members will be surprised at the transformation of the depot into a theatre. The addition of a stage, background scenery, and lights give a definite theatrical atmosphere to the old building.

Bye-Bye Birdie was a Broadway hit in the late 1950's starring Dick Van Dyke, Ann-Margaret, and Paul Lynn. The show features 50's style music and dance numbers and much comedy. The swift-moving plot and lively music make the show a delight to watch.

Tickets to Bye-Bye Birdie are now on sale from cast members. Reserved seats (within the first four rows) may be obtained by calling Terri Nash at 352-8001. General admission is $2.00; reserved section is $3.00. Tickets will also be on sale at the door.

DANNY HARVEY expresses shock and dismay while practicing for his part in the romantic musical comedy, "Bye-Bye Birdie," to be produced tonight through Saturday at the Depot. The play is being produced by Depot Dramatics, an amateur drama group formed recently in Appomattox.

Father Darkleaf

By CALVIN ROBINSON

Crape Myrtle is in bloom and helps make Appomattox look nice. One of the largest is on High Street, Hillcrest. I have several in my backyard, but only one in bloom so far. Another fine garden attraction is the minature sunflower. Grows about a foot high and has a typical sunflower bloom, about an inch and a half across and holds up well as a cut flower.

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Thanks to the unknown friend who left a basket of vegetables at my front door. Will thank you in person when you return to pick up the nice basket.

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Area history . . . Dillwyn, largest town in Buckingham County, used to be Whitehall, named for two early business leaders, White and Hall. When the town got its postoffice, had to change the name because there was already another Whitehall. The first postmaster was named Dillwyn Smith, and his first name became the town's name. Above from an article in The The Farmville Herald. I remember that early issues of this newspaper, many years ago carried a column of Whitehall news, and I never knew where Whitehall was. At that time this paper was called the Appomattox and Buckingham Times.

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A business tidbit: The July 13 issue of The North Platte, Nebraska, Telegraph carried an ad supplement in color of Whitaker's Furniture Store featuring furniture made by Thomasville. Thomasville is big bus iness in Appomattox.

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Someone should spread the word that crime does not pay and see that it doesn't. There were 225,768 serious crimes reported in Virginia last year, compared with 209,096 the year before. However, there were ten fewer murder and manslaughter cases. And as of the weekend, there had been 548 highway deaths thus far this year in the state, up from 506 same date last year.

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I made a note to write that any day now would receive the first fall flower bulb catalog. It arrived the next mail.

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Congratulations to the group using the old railroad depot for a newly formed drama activity. There appears to be a wealth of talent here and this project merits support.

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Marigolds are in bloom along the walkways at the Appomattox Middle School. I planted a packet of marigold seed, but they were a dry weather casualty.

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My late father was a successful gardener and as a lad I did a lot of vegetable gathering. I remember how happy I was when Dad changed from bush beans to pole beans. Easier to pick. Remembered it the other day while shelling butterbeans.

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The Highlands Festival opens Thursday at Abingdon and runs for two weeks. At the other end of the state, the Chincoteague Pony Penning, and at Manteo, N.C. The Lost Colony is presented again, as it has been since 1937. Author Paul Green is 86 and still active in outdoor drama, with a new one, The Stephen Foster Story, at St. Augustine, Florida. Many from here have seen The Common Glory in the Williamsburg area.

Thanks for reading and seeya around.